

REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application as amended. Claims 20-44 are currently pending in this application. No claims have been amended, and no claims have been canceled.

Non-statutory Double Patenting

Claims 20-44 were rejected under nonstatutory double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-57 of U.S. Patent Number 6,690,356, claims 1-2 of U.S. Patent Number 6,396,474, claims 1-5 of U.S. Patent Number 5,694,151, and claims 1-21 of U.S. Patent Number 5,561,444. Applicant respectfully disagrees, however, to further prosecution, Applicant has filed terminal disclaimers herewith.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. §103

Claims 20-22, 24-30, 32-38 and 40-44 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Peters, U.S. Patent 5,157,763, in view of Alpert, "A Technique for Improving the Interactivity of Direct Manipulation", IBM Technical Disclosure Bulletin.

Peters discloses a system for moving data from one window to another window. After the user selects data to move, a box is displayed around the data in the source window. The user drags the box to another window and positions

it in the other window. Then user then makes a selection from a menu as to what action to carry out.

Alpert discloses a “pause preview” system allowing a user to preview the results of a copying procedure before committing to the procedure. The user selects text and drags the cursor. Where the cursor is moved, an insertion point is displayed. If the user leaves the cursor in the same place for a period of time, the system displays the text as it would appear if the user commits to the procedure.

Claims 20, 28, 36, 44, as amended, claim displaying a first bounding rectangle for the selected text of the source location in response to displaying the text object, displaying a second bounding rectangle for the selected text of the destination location identified by the insertion caret; and visually zooming at least a portion of the selected text from the first bounding rectangle of the source location to the second bounding rectangle of the destination location when the button of the control device is in the first position.

In the current Office Action, the Examiner has offered no rejection for the claimed visually zooming at least a portion of the selected text, nor has the Examiner offered a response to Applicant’s arguments in the previous response. In the previous Office Action, mailed on February 14, 2008, the Examiner took the position that Peters taught the claimed limitation. However, Peters merely teaches dragging an outline box from one window to another. Such dragging occurs while the user is mouse down and moving the input device. Examiner

has equated the state of mouse down in Peters with the claimed button of the control device is in the **second** position. The claimed limitation recites visually zooming at least a portion of the selected text from the first bounding rectangle of the source location to the source bounding rectangle of the destination location when the button of the control device is in the **first** position. Thus, Peters does not teach the claimed limitation. Alpert also fails to teach or suggest the claimed limitation. Accordingly, Peters in view of Alpert fails to teach or suggest the invention as claimed and therefore cannot render the invention as claimed obvious.

In light of the foregoing arguments applicant respectfully submits that claims 20-22, 24-30, 32-38 and 40-44 are not unpatentable in view of Peters and Alpert, and respectfully requests that the Examiner withdraw the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103(a).


Applicant respectfully submits that in view of the amendments and arguments set forth herein, the applicable rejections have been overcome.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overcharges to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

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